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Description: ff. iv + 55 + viii - S. XVIII brown calf over wooden boards; stamped in gold on spine: "Galfridi Historia M.S.;" text block edges painted red. - Lord Auchinleck, Alexander Boswell (1732); Col. William E., Moss; ceded to Acton Griscom, Highpoint, New Jersey; given by Griscom to Samuel Frederick Houston (1946); given by his daughter, Mrs. L.M.C. Smith, to the Free Library of Philadelphia in 1977. - Crick, *The Historia regum Britannie*, p. 297; Review of Griscom's *Historia Regum Britannie*, p. 354; Griscom, *Historia Regum Britannia*, pp. 37-41, illustrated on plate 5; De Ricci, p. 1161, no. 6.

Notes:-Numbered 139 on inside of front cover. "Alex[ande]r Boswell Auchinleck, 1732" written in ink on the recto of the first flyleaf. Signed Acton Griscom in ink on recto of first flyleaf. Collation in pencil on recto of second flyleaf.

Number of Parts: 1 - **Number of Images Available:** 2

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Language: Latin **Country:** England **Century:** 12th

Part 1: ff. 1-55

Description: - Parchment - 264 x 176 mm - 2 columns of 56 lines, lead point ruling (prickings visible in inner margin).

Country: England

Region:

Assigned Date: s. XII/XIII

Dated by scribe: No

Document: No

Script: Gothic

Other Decoration: red and blue flourished initials throughout.

Notes: Latin

Number of Texts: 2

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Text 1: ff. 1r-25v

Author: Geoffrey of Monmouth

Title: *Historia regum Britanniae* (History of the Kings of Britain)

Title: "historia galfridi"

Language(s): Latin

Incipit: Cum mecum multa & de multis sepius animo reuoluens in hystoriam regum britannie inciderem.

Explicit: facile ille subdendam si in illam

Notes: Breaks off in the middle of chapter xvi of Book XII.

Status of text: Imperfect



f. 1r Beginning of the Geoffrey of Monmouth's History of the Kings of Britain

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Text 2: ff. 26r-55v

Author: William of Malmesbury

Title: *Gesta regum Anglorum* (Deeds of the English Kings)

Title: *Epistola Willelmi ad Robertum Comitem*

Language(s): Latin

Incipit: Domino venerabili et famoso comiti filio regis rodberto

Explicit: rebrarium eius ceationum index

Notes: Contains only the first three books.

Status of text: Imperfect



f. 26r Beginning of the William of Malmesbury's Deeds of the English Kings

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